

Subject: Weekly Report: P-22 & the Zoo -- Co-Existing With Our Wildlife

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Hi Friend!

Here's a quick roundup of the week in Council District 4.

In The News:

- **Beverly Press:** [Hiking Halted for Four Months in Runyon Canyon](#)
 - **LA Curbed:** [Griffith Park Abandons Plans for Shuttle Bus to Hollywood Sign](#)
 - **L.A. Times:** [Court Reinstates L.A.'s Ban on New Billboards](#)
 - **L.A. Times:** [How Asian Americans Climbed the Ranks and Changed the Political Landscape](#)
 - **L.A. Times:** [Griffith Park Mountain Lion Lead Suspect in Koala Killing](#)
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Co-existing With Our Wildlife

On Thursday, Los Angeles Zoo workers found a deceased koala outside of its pen. The leading suspect in this incident is **P-22**, a mountain lion. The incident at the Zoo is unfortunate; however, relocating P-22 would not be in the best interest of protecting our wildlife species. Mountain lions are a part of the natural habitat of Griffith Park and the adjacent hillsides. It is crucial to identify solutions to co-exist so we can ultimately prioritize the safety of our wildlife and the public. Read my full statement, [here](#).



Discretionary Fund Task Force Update

The [Discretionary Task Force](#) is a volunteer-driven advisory team that works to identify, review, and prioritize projects that will benefit Council District 4 in the long-term. Here are a few examples of the community projects we've funded:

- Toluca Lake Early Education Center** | Classroom supplies for high-energy and enthusiastic pre-k students to learn math through play and manipulatives
- Valley Youth Educational Sports Scholarship** | Funding towards a sports program for low-income and at-risk youth in the Valley



To request funding for specific projects in your neighborhood, fill out this [request form](#) and email it back to us at cd4.funding@lacity.org.

Keeping Our Streets Clean

We've teamed up with the [Los Angeles Conservation Corps Clean and Green Youth Program](#) to coordinate various street maintenance efforts throughout the district. Crews of young people remove trash, graffiti, and plant trees to beautify communities. These youth earn a paycheck while developing fundamental workplace skills. Let us know if a street in your neighborhood needs cleaning or improving. See below for a few examples and send us a message, [here](#).



In the Community

On Monday, I attended the preview of the [WIZARDING WORLD OF HARRY POTTER AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS](#). Harry Potter and J.K. Rowling created a whole new generation of bookworms -- expanding their minds, and fueling their creativity. This new land's magic will only help perpetuate the importance of literacy for all.



On Tuesday, I attended the **Oaks Homeowners Association (OHA)** annual meeting to address traffic congestion related to the Hollywood Sign, homelessness, and community engagement opportunities. I look forward to continuing our work with OHA and improving our communities.



On Wednesday, I joined the Department of Recreation and Parks to continue the discussion on the proposed plans for improving **Griffith Park's** public safety and access. Mount Hollywood Drive will continue to remain open to pedestrians and closed to private vehicles and shuttles.



Thank you Jill Barad and the [Valley Alliance Of Neighborhood Councils](#) (VANC) for inviting me to attend the thirteenth annual convening. VANC is comprised of 34 councils, making it the largest and oldest neighborhood alliance in the City.



re:code LA

re:code LA is a comprehensive revision of the City's outdated zoning codes. Join us

for the upcoming public forums and have your voice heard. More information, [here](#).



LA Sanitation's Clean Streets Survey

LA Sanitation has created a survey to identify key cleanliness issues facing our local neighborhoods. Individual responses are anonymous, and the overall results will be used to create a citywide public outreach campaign. Take the five-minute survey and let LA Sanitation know what you think! [Click here](#) for the survey.



Neighborhood Council Elections

Have you considered getting in involved in your local Neighborhood Council? The 2016 Neighborhood Council elections are coming up and the deadline to file your candidacy is below:

Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council

Deadline for elected seat: April 6, 2016

Deadline for selected seat: March 27, 2016

Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council

March 14, 2016

Los Feliz Neighborhood Council

March 15, 2016

Silver Lake Neighborhood Council

March 15, 2016

More information, [here](#).



See the full list of upcoming community events, [here](#).

Let us know how we are doing. [Visit my website](#) and provide us your feedback.

Sincerely,

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